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FOLLOWING NICOSIA 2093 SENT ACTION SECSTATE AUG. 10, 1977
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C O N F I D E N T I A L NICOSIA 2093

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: CLIFFORD MESSAGE TO DENKTASH

1. AS AGREED DURING THE VISIT OF THE UNITED STATES DELEGATION
TO THE FUNERAL OF PRESIDENT MAKARIOS, THE EMBASSY TOOK THE
FIRST APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY TO CONVEY MR. CLIFFORD'S ORAL
MESSAGE TO DENKTASH. THE OCCASION WAS A PREVIOUSLY-ARRANGED
MEETING BETWEEN "TFSC FONMIN" CHELIK AND DCM ON AUGUST 10.

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2. DCM SAID THAT (A) MR. CLIFFORD WAS SORRY NOT TO HAVE SEEN
MR. DENKTASH, FOR WHOM HE HAS FEELINGS OF FRIENDSHIP AND
REGARD AND TO WHOSE CONCERNS HE IS SENSITIVE, BUT CIRCUMSTANCES
PREVENTED SUCH A MEETING AS MR. CLIFFORD WAS A MEMBER OF THE
U.S. DELEGATION TO ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS' FUNERAL AND WAS WHOLLY
INVOLVED IN THE CEREMONIES RELATING TO THE OCCASION.
(B) MR. CLIFFORD HAD HELD NO SUBSTANTIVE CONVERSATION ON THE

GREEK CYPRIOT SIDE AND NO WORKING APPOINTMENTS HAD BEEN REQUESTED. HAD MR. CLIFFORD REQUESTED SUCH A MEETING ON THE GREEK SIDE, HE WOULD HAVE DONE THE SAME ON THE TURKISH CYPRIOT SIDE. (C) MR. CLIFFORD'S ONLY SUBSTANTIVE ENGAGEMENT DURING HIS VISIT TO CYPRUS WAS HIS AUGUST 9 PRESS CONFERENCE, TO WHICH TURKISH CYPRIOT MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WERE INVITED BUT DID NOT ATTEND. PRESS CONFERENCE WAS DESIGNED TO UNDERSCORE THE CONTINUING INTENTION OF PRESIDENT CARTER AND MR. CLIFFORD TO REMAIN HELPFUL TO THE PARTIES. MR. CLIFFORD WANTED MR. DENKTASH TO KNOW THAT WHILE THEY MIGHT HAVE SOMEWHAT DIFFERING ATTITUDES IN THIS REGARD, MR. CLIFFORD INTENDED TO CONTINUE HIS MISSION AND LOOKS FORWARD TO RESUMED CONTACT WITH MR. DENKTASH AS SOON AS THE SITUATION SEEMS APPROPRIATE. MEANWHILE MR. CLIFFORD CONVEYS HIS PERSONAL REGARDS TO MR. DENKTASH.

3. MR. CHELIK TOOK CAREFUL NOTES OF THE MESSAGE, BUT MADE NO RESPONSE. HE PROMISED TO DELIVER IT TO MR. DENKTASH AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. CRAWFORD UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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